

### **Abstract**

An adapter for an implantable cardiac lead, the adapter having a housing with an interior axial opening and an outer surface. The interior axial opening is configured to receive a mating terminal end of the implantable cardiac lead. A plurality of inner contacts are positioned within the interior axial opening and a plurality of outer contacts are positioned on the outer surface. Each of the inner contacts is electrically connected to an outer contact. The inner contacts are configured to electrically link with contacts on the mating terminal end of the implantable cardiac lead when the mating terminal end of the implantable cardiac lead is positioned within the interior opening.

The outer surface is configured for connection of the outer contacts to a testing cable, the testing cable providing electrical connectivity with a device for testing the electrical continuity of the cardiac lead. An assembly including an adapter may be used to connect implanted cardiac leads with a testing device.